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Subject: New U.S. Patent application
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Your Ref: HASE.0046 (660067.00046)
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Dear Mr. Fisher:

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Thank you for your letter dated August 4, 2000 informing us of the filing date of the above-identified application.

Please be advised that though your August 4, 2000 letter says " We filed the certified priority document ...that you sent us. ", we did not send the certified priority document together with our order letter of July 24, 2000.

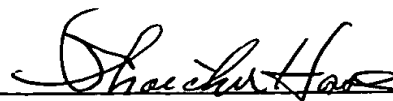
Accordingly, for completion of the filing requirements, we are enclosing herewith the Priority Document for this case.

Please therefore attend to file the enclosed document at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

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